

EX NIHILO



(OUT OF NOTHING)

BY FAITH WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE WORLDS WERE
PREPARED BY THE WORD OF GOD, SO THAT WHAT IS
SEEN WAS NOT MADE OUT OF THINGS WHICH ARE
VISIBLE. — HEBREWS 11:3 (NASB95)

Valley Grace Brethren Church of Armagh, PA
February 11th, AD 2024

The LORD'S Day

The Eleventh Day of February, *in the Year of our Lord 2024*

Welcome to the worship services of Valley Grace Brethren Church!



Sunday School—9:30 AM.



"From the beginning of my Reformation I have asked God to send me neither dreams, nor visions, nor angels, but to give me the right understanding of His Word, the Holy Scriptures; for as long as I have God's Word, I know that I am walking in His way and that I shall not fall into any error or delusion."—*Luther*

Morning Worship—10:30 AM.

Call to Worship:* *"Love Lifted Me"* (#308; Chorus ONLY).

Invocation.*

Hymn: *"Joyful, Joyful we Adore Thee"* (#29).

Prayer for Tithes & Offerings.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 33:1-9.

Prayer, Praises, & Testimony.

Hymn: *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"* (#39).

Announcements.

Hymn: *"How Great Thou Art"* (#2).

Dismissal of Youth for Children's Church.

Greeting One Another.

Message: *"CREATION EX NIHILO: OUT OF NOTHING."*

Closing Hymn:* *"It Took a Miracle"* (#241).

Benediction.*



**The Congregation will please arise, if able.*



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Week of February 4 – February 10

Sunday School—No Sunday School (*Gideon Sunday*)

Midweek—No Service (*Pastor sick*)

Morning Worship—15; Weekly Offering—\$1,207.⁰⁰



Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study—6:30 PM

This week, we will continue our studies in **Daniel six**.

The **67th Allegheny Conservative GBC District Conference** theme (May 18, 2024; 9AM-3PM) will be **“AND GOD SAID,”** with **Pastor Tom Johnson** (Somerset GBC) serving as Moderator and **Pastor Larry Weigle** (Reading GBC) as Vice Moderator.

FEBRUARY POTLUCK-SOCIAL

We will be enjoying a fellowship potluck directly after morning worship on **Feb. 18th**. Please bring a covered dish and/or dessert, if you are able. Also, some beverages (both regular & diet) would be most welcome. **EVERYONE** is welcome!



Pastor Matt with his two long-time mentors, former North Buffalo Pastor Dave Blevins and current Pastor Jim Rose

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

We are thankful—and *thrilled!*—that the North Buffalo GBC of Kittanning has **UNANIMOUSLY** called **Matt Foreman** to be their Senior Pastor (effective March 1, 2024). Pray for the Lord's blessing upon Matt's ministry, and for His blessing upon retiring Pastor Jim Rose; Jim and Patty will be returning to

their family in Ohio. As many of you know, Pastor Matt has in the past served Valley Grace by filling-in on various occasions. North Buffalo, incidentally, was Matt's home church growing up!

An Update on Baby Gus

(NOTE: Little Gus Joubert is the grandson of a faithful pastor-servant and most eminent Bible scholar, our friend Pastor Scott Libby of the Irasburg GBC of Vermont—Pastor Reese)

The parents (Mark & Amanda Joubert) of Baby Gus have communicated through several emails yesterday, on Saturday (2/10/24), which was the day of a major procedure involving the closing up of Gus' chest, which had been left open for medical reasons. The first email is from 11:39 AM:

“We left Gus a little while ago. They're prepping for the procedure now. The goals, as far as we understand, are to clean out the thoracic cavity, close the sternum, place a new central line, deploy a wound vac over the site for healing, & hope that his heart, lungs, & blood pressure tolerate it all. Now we wait and pray -- the hope is that #1 his heart and lungs tolerate the different pressure that comes with having his chest closed, and #2 that his body doesn't overreact in terms of inflammation of vasoplegia.”—Mark & Amanda

The second email came from Mark about 1:00 PM:

“Overall, he's doing well. Now we hope his blood pressures will remain stable AND high enough, and then we will need to work on his right lung which is still partially collapsed, and then some Cath procedures, etc. Many steps yet to go, many things to pray for, but this was a big step in the right direction!”



We are thankful that your prayers have brought the family this far. Let us continue to pray—and thank God for every precious moment that He has sustained the life of this little one! (TLR)
